



**CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL**

Meeting Date:

District A

Item Creation Date: 8/2/2019

PLN - Petition for Consent to the Creation of Harris County Improvement District No. 25

Agenda Item#:

**Background:**

Management Districts are special districts created by the Texas Legislature. Generally, these districts are empowered to promote, develop, encourage and maintain employment, commerce, transportation, water and sewerage improvements, housing, tourism, recreation, arts, entertainment, economic development, safety and public welfare. Typically, management districts are given the power to finance their operations by issuing bonds or other obligations, payable in whole or in part as valorem taxes, assessments, impact fees or other funds of the district to provide improvements and services.

The Board of Directors of Harris County Improvement District No. 25 has submitted a petition requesting the City of Houston's consent to the creation of the 109.49-acre management district. This district will be located entirely inside Houston's limited purpose city limits in District A and will include the new campus of University of Houston at Katy along with existing and proposed commercial developments. The water and sewer service will be provided by Harris County Municipal Utility Districts 62 & 63. The City already has Strategic Partnership Agreements with these two municipal utility districts. There will be an election in November to get voter authorization to issue bonds for parks and roads. Proceeds will be used to pay debt on bonds for the roadways that have already been constructed and for landscaping of public areas. Some of the money will also be used for maintenance of the landscaping and general repairs while the property owners association will cover the water bill pursuant to an agreement with the district.

A management district is intended to supplement, not supplant, existing public services. The addition of land to this district would not release the City of Houston from its obligations to provide services to the area, nor does it require additional services from the City. The City assumes no liability for the debts, obligations or liabilities of the district.

The Planning and Development Department recommends City Council consent to the creation of Harris County Improvement District No. 25.

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